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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1081

By Stanley

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Patricia Margaret Rose,
2002 Valedictorian of St. Benedict High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patricia Margaret Rose is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at St. Benedict High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Rose has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.5 Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, due to her outstanding commitment to academic excellence, Ms. Rose has earned numerous honors and awards, including the St. Benedict Leadership Award, the Wordsmith Creative Writing Award, the Smith Excellence Award, the National Science Merit Award, the TSSAA Distinguished Scholastic Achievement Award and the TSSAA Student

Athlete Award of Merit; she has also been recognized on the Principal's Honor Roll, as a USAA All-American Scholar and as a Finalist for the Executive International Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, a multi-talented individual, Ms. Rose possesses tremendous athletic ability, as she has been a valuable member of the school's Girls' Varsity Soccer Team all four years of high school; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Soccer team, Ms. Rose served as Captain for three years and earned numerous honors and awards, including Team Most Valuable Player, *The Commercial Appeal* "Best of the Preps" All-Metro Soccer Team, the Athletic Achievement Award and First Team All-West Region; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her exploits on the soccer field, Ms. Rose has also been a talented member of the Tennis team and the Track team; and

WHEREAS, highly respected as a leader among her peers, Ms. Rose has served as a member of the Student Government Association, Class Officer, Student Ambassador, as a National Young Leaders Conference Scholar and as a Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Representative; and

WHEREAS, an enthusiastic member of the student body, Ms. Rose is active in numerous scholastic organizations, including the Key Club, the Honor Council, Students Against Drunk Driving and the Prom Committee; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her community, Ms. Rose participates in numerous community service organizations and activities, including Habitat for Humanity, Hands on Memphis, the Children's Museum of Memphis, the Germantown Youth Soccer Camp and Collierville Baptist Hospital; and

WHEREAS, she has been recognized in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and *Who's Who in Sports* for her dedication to scholastic and athletic achievement and her commitment to public service; and

WHEREAS, a young lady of impeccable character, Ms. Rose is an integral part of her church's youth ministry; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Margaret Rose's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rose's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rose's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 St. Benedict High School Valedictorian, Patricia Margaret Rose, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.